

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322
MINUTES OF MEETING – July 7, 2009

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m on Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at the Township Municipal Building Rte 715, Brodheadsville. Those present were Chuck Gould (Chairman), Dave Fleetwood (Supervisor), David Albright (Township Manager), Cathy Martinelli (Office Manager) and Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr. Leigh Kane (Vice-Chairman) was absent.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** to the Flag was led by Eagle Scout Robert Nemecek.

Executive Session. None.

Unit Care Agreement. None.

Parks. Bernie Kozen was present to report the following:

- Art Workshops for adults July 16, July 30
- Movie in the park “Hotel for Dogs” July 25
- Art in the Park July 26
- Art Workshops for kids Aug 6
- Star Gazing Aug 22
- Family Camping Aug 22-23
- First Aid/CPR Training Sept 15
- Elk Bus Viewing Oct 3

Public Comment:

Resident Robert Baker. Asked what business in town was purchased by St. Lukes Hospital. Chuck said we think it is Family Practice Associates building.

Resident Carol Nemecek. Asked about the Township’s intent of a police force. Chuck explained about the study performed several years ago, and the recommendation not to implement a force. There would be no less crime and the taxes would at least triple. Mr. Thody said things in this area are not getting better, and Mr. Bourke said he supports a police department. Nick Caprioli said the police don’t stop crime; they show up after, investigate, apprehend and prosecute. Ms. Nemecek made it clear she is not in favor of a police force, as she cannot afford additional taxes at this time.

Resident Al Bourke. In reference to the acquisition of the Joshmor property, Mr. Bourke made reference to the Pleasant Valley School District newsletter stating student enrollment is declining. Mr. Bourke went on to the agreement of sale for the purchase of this property. Chuck Gould stated that Mr. Bourke put his questions in writing and Chuck will personally answer in writing, as we have gone over this same issue for the last 4 Supervisors meetings. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Resident Roger Kutzler. Asked if we could have more security in the park during the evening hours. David Albright said that the state police have been contacted and a request was made to do additional checks on the overflow parking area.

Minutes. On motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to approve the minutes, as distributed. (2-0)

Correspondence.

Monroe County Public Officials. The business meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at the Stroud Township Municipal Building with the dinner meeting on Friday, September 11, 2009 at the Polk Township Fire Hall.

Monroe County Commissioners. Are holding a meeting on Wednesday, October 28th at 6:30p.m. for the proposed county wide EIT.

Camp Cadet. This is a donation request for a camp that is law enforcement oriented. Organizations such as FBI, Secret Service, PA State Police K-9 unit, PSP Fire Marshall, PA Game Commission and Lift Flight may be showcased. It is a great opportunity for the kids. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to approve a donation of \$300.00, same as last year. (2-0)

Atty. McDonald. Told the Board that the Shiffer deed was recorded, and delivered tonight.

Old Business.

Discussion & possible award of pave in place bids. There were two bids as follows:

Hanson Aggregates	66.45/ton	\$228,122.85
Locust Ridge Quarry	67.35/ton	\$231,212.55

On motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to award the bid to Hanson Aggregates. (2-0)

Cingular Escrow Agreement. Atty. McDonald gave a brief update on this agreement, basically ESSA bank does not want to be named in the agreement, and therefore he is going to revise to remove them from the agreement.

New Business. None.

Bills. On motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to pay the General Fund bills. (2-0)

Plans.

Joshmor, Inc. (Minor Subdivision) Frank J. Smith, Jr. Mr. Ray Rodgers was present on behalf of this pan. Engineer McDermott's comment letter dated 6/9/09 has been addressed and everything is in order. On motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to sign and approve this plan. (2-0)

Altemose, Hilda & William. (Minor & Lot Line Adjust) George Fetch. Engineer McDermott's comment letter dated 7/2/09 was reviewed. Several items need to be addressed, therefore, on motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to table this plan until 8/4/09. (2-0)

Keer Veterinary Hospital. (Land Development Plan) Berks Surveying & Engineering. It was asked via phone that this plan be tabled tonight. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan. (2-0) (Plan date 3/31/09) **(open ended waiver 6/25/09)**

Kal-Tac Inc. (Land Development Plan/Reverse Subdivision Plan) Effort Associates. It was asked via phone that this plan be tabled tonight. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan. (2-0) (Plan date 8/2003) **(open ended waiver)**

Herfurth, Steward & Kathleen. (Minor Subdivision) Effort Associates. It was asked via phone that this plan be tabled tonight. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan. (2-0) (Plan date 4/2008) **(open ended waiver)**

Pleasant Valley Assembly of God. (Prelim/Final Plan) Niclaus Engineering. It was asked via phone to table this plan tonight. On motion made Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan tonight. (2-0) **(open ended waiver)**

Skaflestad, Clyde (Land Development Plan) George Collura. It was asked via phone to table this plan tonight. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan tonight. (2-0) **(open ended waiver)**

Kinsley's Plaza Phase I (Prelim LDP) Niclaus Engineering. It was asked via phone to table this plan tonight. On motion made by Chuck Gould, seconded by Dave Fleetwood it was voted to table this plan tonight. (2-0) **(open ended waiver)**

Planning Module Approval. None.

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Dave Fleetwood, seconded by Chuck Gould it was voted to adjourn into executive session on a real estate matter at 8:04 p.m. (2-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Martinelli
Recording Secretary